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For:

WAFER STORAGE CASE, PROCESS FOR PREVENTING DUST GENERATION THEREOF AND WAFER STORING METHOD

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Date: April 27, 2004

Sir:

Applicant petitions for an extension of time for one month for response to the outstanding Office Action dated January 7, 2004 from April 7, 2004 to May 7, 2004. Attached is our check in the amount of \$110.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Docket No. 107242-00021.

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